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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Region One, has completed an environmental assessment (EA) proposing to modify fishing regulations to reestablish a limited recreational bull trout fishery at Lake Koocanusa.

There were no changes to the draft; therefore, the draft becomes the final EA. A copy of the decision document is enclosed. Please submit any questions or comments to Jim Dunnigan or Mike Hensler, Fish, Wildlife & Parks, 475 Fish Hatchery Road, Libby, MT 59923, (406) 293-4161 or e-mail to jdunnigan@state.mt.us or mhensler@state.mt.us

Sincerely,

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Enclosure